

## Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

### This Week at FPC

#### Today

8:45 a.m. Worship  
9:45 a.m. Church School  
11:00 a.m. Worship

#### Monday

#### Tuesday

#### Wednesday

6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

#### Thursday

6:30 p.m. Praise Team

#### Friday

#### Saturday

9:00 a.m. VBS Decorating

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## Mighty Fortress Vacation Bible School

June 26-28

5:30-8:00 p.m.

*Mighty Fortress* is the theme for this year's Vacation Bible School. At *Mighty Fortress*, kids learn that God is their refuge and strength. Bring your friends and plan to attend. Register on line on the church website: [www.fpclebanon.org](http://www.fpclebanon.org) or use the registration form in the back of the sanctuary, outside the chapel, or in the classrooms.

**VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We will be decorating for VBS on Saturday, June 24. Extra hands are always welcomed!

**FPC PRESCHOOL** is currently accepting enrollments for the fall. Classes are available for 3 and 4 year olds.

**MONROE HARDING OFFERING:** Monroe Harding guides and supports the most vulnerable children and youth across a bridge to personal independence and success within a safe nurturing environment. A special offering in support of Monroe Harding will be received today. Make checks to FPC (memo: Monroe Harding.)

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEBANON, TENNESSEE

*Service for the Lord's Day*

June 18, 2017

Second Sunday After Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

## THE GATHERING

*To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever*

SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE

*Our Father in Heaven*

Buxtehude

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

\* CALL TO WORSHIP (*from Psalm 100*)

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

People: **Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come into his presence with singing.**

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

People: **Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.**

Leader: Give thanks to him, bless his name. For the Lord is good;

People: **His steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

\* HYMN NO. 476 *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!*

LYONS

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of endless giving, you call us to be generous in spirit in all that we do. You direct us to share our love, our wealth, and our forgiveness as you have shared with us. We confess that too often we are penny-pinching, tight-fisted packrats clutching on to what is ours and refusing to open our hearts in generosity. Forgive us of our stingy spirit. Help us to be extravagant in our giving and our love. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

\* Those who are able are invited to stand.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God says, "There is nothing you can do to make me stop loving you."

People: When the truth of those words breaks through, we are transformed.

Leader: "You are accepted and loved as you are.

You don't have to carry around the burdens of the past."

People: We are a new creation through the powerful presence of God's constant love. Thanks be to God!

## \* GLORIA PATRI

Hymn No. 579

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;*

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,*

*world without end. Amen, amen.*

## \* THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from your mouth.

Make us hungry for this heavenly food,

that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life;

through Jesus Christ, the bread of heaven. Amen.

### SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 18:1-15

*Is anything too wonderful for the Lord?*

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

## ANTHEM

*How Can I Keep from Singing?*

Andy Beck

*My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation.*

*I hear the real though far off hymn that hails a new creation.*

*No storm can shake my inmost calm, I hear the music ringing.*

*It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?*

*What though the tempest 'round me roars, I know the truth, it liveth.*

*What though the darkness 'round me close, songs in the night it giveth.*

*No storm can shake my inmost calm, I hear the music ringing.*

*Since love is lord of heav'n and earth how can I keep from singing?*

## TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward.

## SERMON

*Extravagance*

Rev. Sherard Edington

## RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

### \* HYMN NO. 251

*Your Faithfulness, O Lord, Is Sure*

WINCHESTER NEW

### \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

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*The Lord is My Shepherd*

Powell

### \* DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below;*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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## SENDING FORTH

### \* HYMN NO. 210

*Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

ST. ANNE

### \* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### \* CHORAL RESPONSE

### POSTLUDE

*Like the Golden Sun Ascending*

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